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PYRAMID INITIATES THREE NEW MEMBERS

Final Banquet of the Year Proves to be Occasion for Discussing Student Affairs.

NEW OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

WHATEVER doubt there may be as to the continuance of other student organizations in the University, there can be little doubt that the Pyramid Honor Society, at least, will continue to prosper as long as its present membership remains intact. This was fully demonstrated at the final banquet and initiation held by the Society on Saturday evening, June 3d, at Harvey's. Practically every active member of the Pyramid attended, and as a result enthusiasm ran high. Three new members were initiated, all from the College. The initiates were John P. Fleming, Herbert S. Hamlin, and Harold Keats, all Juniors in the College.

SKETCHES OF THE NEW MEMBERS

John P. Fleming has been a member of the University track team during the three years of his College course, and has been captain of the team for the last two years. He has especially distinguished himself as a long distance runner. Last year he carried off first honors in the mile race in the University of Virginia meet. He has also been prominent in class and Y. M. C. A. affairs. He is a member of the Alpha Beta Phi local fraternity.

Herbert S. Hamlin has been a member of the football squad during his undergraduate course. He has played end on the football team for the past two years. Though not so experienced as some of the older men on the team, he was recognized as a plucky defensive player and a safe man in offensive play. He is a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity.

Harold Keats will be remembered as the manager of this year's track team, and also as a member of the track team for the past two years. This year, as manager of the track team, he inaugurated the new scheme of holding an interdepartmental meet, which, though not so successful as it should have been, had it received proper support, brought to light a good deal of hitherto unknown track material. He has also been prominent as a debater, and has taken an important part in class politics and student publications. He is a member of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity.

After the initiation was over the members of the Pyramid, old and new, banqueted. The table talk as usual turned about University matters, and especially about student activities and the advisability of

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SPEAKS ON NEW HUMANISM

Prof. Dewey of Columbia Discourses on Modern Pragmatism to Teachers College Graduates.

"HUMANISM, Old and New," was the subject of an address delivered at the class exercises of the Senior Class of Teachers College in the assembly hall of Central High School, on Wednesday the 31st. R. L. Haycock, president of the graduating class, opened the meeting with a few words of welcome. He was followed by Dean Hough, who expressed the thanks of the graduating class for the use of the hall. "I am glad to think," he said, "that this favor is given in recognition of our common aims. Superintendent Stuart has always been our friend, and we can conjure up what he would have said if he had been able to be here." Dean Hough then proceeded to introduce the speaker of the evening, Prof. John Dewey, of Columbia University, as one of the foremost exponents of modern humanism, or pragmatism, students know. Professor Dewey said in part:

EXTRACTS FROM THE LECTURE.

"There are three points which triangulate education, and these are inherited education or traditional culture, science, and industrial habits. Of the three, culture in the past has dominated. Science has made its way only in the past generation, and is now regarded as co-equal with literary tradition. Today there are only two systems of education, the humanities and science, and these are considered distinct and independent. Why is this? For our answer we must go back to the history of humanism. Humanism as we know it arose in the sixteenth century from the conflict between ancient and modern. The scholars of the Renaissance turned from the dryness of the schoolmen to the broader works of the ancients. Out of the struggle was born humanism, in the sense of the study of literature.

"We must go back to Greece for the beginnings of humanism. Greek humanism had its origin in the civic sense. Many peoples have existed who have had nothing to say for themselves. The great monuments of Egypt and of Mexico were built and the builders knew not wherefore; Greece both built and was conscious of purpose. The Greeks were first to realize fully the value of living together, and to understand fully the meaning of civic existence. Classical humanism was the recognition of the human value of social intercourse. Its genius found best expression in the community life. The Greeks were great because they humanized their gods and read nature. Greek humanism, as I have said, was civic sense

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CREDIT PLAN AGAIN URGED

Arguments for Giving University Credit for Debating and Editorial Work Reinforced.

Editor of THE NEWS.

DEAR SIR:

THE discussion that has been carried on in these columns has presented a clear view of the situation in regard to student interests, in general, and athletics in particular. The letters of Mr. Dulles and Mr. Brookes illustrate the two opposing views as to the advisability of the compulsory student fee. It is difficult indeed to reach a conclusion, for the matter has been discussed on either side with thoroughness and forcefulness.

It is not my intention to review the subject, but it seems to me that the point made by Mr. Dulles that to charge a compulsory fee would be placing a premium on athletics deserves to be weighed carefully. While we may all recognize the worth of athletics, at the same time it is certainly a fact that for the last two or three years more than seventy men in any one year have participated in our athletic events.

COMPULSORY MEASURE NECESSARY.

It seems evident that any plan of rehabilitation must include a compulsory measure. The only difficulty is to find a method. In adopting a method, the personnel of the professional schools, which contain many graduates of other institutions, and where the feeling is prevalent, to a certain extent, that no activities at all would be best, must always be considered.

In view of a growing feeling among those most interested that it would be better to let athletics rest in peace at least one year, if not two, I cannot refrain from reverting to my plan, suggested some weeks ago in your columns, to grant credit for work in student activities. I would now limit the credits to debating and editorial work, endeavoring within the next few years to build up a strong debating interest and establish permanently either a weekly or bi-weekly and an annual. And my argument can be made with additional force because of the absence of the embarrassing question of athletics.

At the last convention of the Delta Sigma Rho Honorary Debating Fraternity, our local chapter

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GRADUATES HEAR DR. PIERCE PREACH

At the Annual Baccalaureate Exercises on the Afternoon of Sunday June 4th.

THREEFOLD LAW OF SERVICE

MORE than one hundred of this year's graduates, together with a large representation from the Faculty and friends of the University had the pleasure of hearing the Rev. U. G. Pierce, of All Souls' Unitarian Church, preach the baccalaureate sermon in All Souls' Church, on Sunday, June 4th. The graduates and members of the Faculty assembled in the I Street buildings, and, clothed in academic cap and gown, marched in column of twos to the Church at the corner of Fourteenth and N Streets. The members of the procession occupied the center section of the Church.

After an introductory number by the Church quartet and the reading of the Scripture lesson, Dr. Pierce announced his text and preached a sermon full of spiritual power. Dr. Pierce took as his text the following three verses from the Scripture, the first from the forty-fifth chapter of Genesis, the second from the fifth chapter of Exodus, and the last from the fifth chapter of the Gospel according to St. John:

THE BACCALAUREATE TEXT.

"So now it was not you that sent me hither, but God; and he hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt."

"And the taskmasters hasted them, saying, Fulfil your works, your daily tasks, as when there was straw."

"But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work."

Though apparently disconnected these three verses, Dr. Pierce declared, contained the threefold law of service. The first of these he illustrated by the life of Joseph, who, though sold into Egypt, saved the Hebrew race. Such men, Dr. Pierce explained, are the unconscious tools in the hands of divine Providence, and, wholly without any conscious effort on their part, are instrumental in the working out of some great cause.

The second on the above verses, Dr. Pierce pointed out, emphasized the compulsory element in service, economic and social compulsion. This, in different form, he explained, was but an application of the old rule that you can't get something for nothing. The importance of the element of compulsion can not be overestimated, said Dr. Pierce. In illustration he remarked how few men, who have had only leisure without some compelling force driving them onward, have

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done really great work in the cause of progress, and cited the instance of the famous Frenchman, who, when asked why he worked, answered that he had fourteen reasons, a wife and thirteen children. The man who waited for the call of pure spirit to inspire him to work, Dr. Pierce maintained, would find that in educating himself up to the point where he would be able to respond to pure spirit, he would have lost all capacity for work. "Hunger, ambition, rivalry, though not the most noble are the most potent forces," he declared.

The last motive underlying service, most infrequent but noblest of all, was the conscious desire and effort to help work out the perfection of the universe. This motive, he maintained, should especially actuate educated men whose training should place them above mere pecuniary ambition and inspire them to strive to accomplish high ideals. Referring to the large field for unselfish work, Dr. Pierce said:

"There is a heresy current in some quarters that the world was once made. I say heresy, because the world is not made yet, but is in the making. The world is crowded with raw material. This is the day of creation."

In conclusion, the speaker urged the graduates to illustrate the Divine process in their lives, declaring "that the world wants to see what the finished product is like."

After the service, the Faculty and graduates marched in procession back to the I Street buildings.

List of Graduates.

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BACHELOR OF ARTS.—Hilda Beale, Roy Linney Deal, Emery Liebschutz, Lasier, Edith Blinston Lowe, Kenneth Fuller Maxcy, Helen Sellman Nicholson, James Rierson Smith, Helen Summy, Clarendon Haysmer Thompson, Prescott Stearns Tucker, Ethel Marguerite Weller.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE.—Edwin Henry Ingersoll, Clifford Alonzo Rowley, Laura Winfield Steever.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CHEMISTRY.—William Firey Maupin.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (College of Political Sciences).—Warren Jefferson Davis, William Duane Fulton, Jr., Robert Johnson, Winfield Scott Mason, Arnold Clarence Otto, William John Denziloe Thomas.

MASTER OF DIPLOMACY.—John Knox Arnold.

BACHELOR OF ARTS WITH TEACHERS DIPLOMA.—Katherine Harper Bevard, Reuben Finkelstein, Helen Burnett Gardner, Robert Lee Haycock, Alice Mary Richards, Mary Beatrice Hilleary, Bertha Florine Walker.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ARCHITECTURE.—Louis Henry Eugene Justement, Joseph Nicolay Nielsen.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING.—Harold Kennedy Craig, Theodore Lyman Moody, Augustin Mitchell Prentiss.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING.—Calvert Brooke Gill, Henry Frank Wiegand.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING.—Roy Franklin Carty, Frank Atherton How-

ard, Oliver Lloyd Jenkins, Dana McGuffey Lasley.

BACHELOR OF LAWS.—Richard Earle Babcock, Edward Damon Baldwin, Carl Martin Behrmann, George Beneman, Paul Earl Bradley, John Wentworth Calvert, Joseph Ryland Curl, Franz Frederick William Dahn, James Dunbar Dodson, Hsen Shuen Foo, Jay Lyman Gray, William Robinson Grover, Arthur Hellen, David Paul Herriott, Hermon Henry Hill, Charles Vanderbilt Hilton, Louis Bronson LeDuc, Soterios Nicholson, Gideon Johnson Pillow, Ernest Frederic Alan Place, Conger Ryder Smith, Rufus Harold Tilton, Oscar Thompson, William Cabell Van Vleck, Lane Davis Webber, Warner Lambeth Wilmeth.

BACHELOR OF LAW.—James William Berry, Edward Wright Byrn, Jr., Clarence Benjamin Dutton, Matthew Singleton Farmer, Jr., Stanley Herman Fischer, William Wright Fraser, Herbert Benjamin Gerhart, Frank Willard Hoover, Scott Henry Lilly, William Shepherd Linnell, Samuel Moyer, Richard Blakelock Owen, Ferdinand Henry Pease, Justin Frank Seiler, Thomas Peachy Spencer, Thomas William Smith, Eugene Charles Wann.

MASTER OF PATENT LAW.—Edgar Whittington Adams, Ira James Adams, Lilian Brock Aveilhé, John Boyle, Jr., Robert Alan Brannigan, Jesse Miller Campbell, Melville Durant Church, Anne Elizabeth Draper, Elizabeth Tyler Evans, Herman Trafton Gammons, George F. Gourley, William Archibald Graff, Joseph Harris, Sophie Bishop Kent, George Peter Kimmel, Harold Avery Kingsbury, Floyd John Porter, Lester Lyman Sargent, John McA. Stevenson, Jr., La Mont Abner Williams.

DOCTOR OF CIVIL LAW.—Paca Oberlin.

CIVIL ENGINEER.—Irving Randolph Saum.

MASTER OF SCIENCE.—Julia Theckla Macmillan.

MASTER OF ARTS, AND MASTER'S DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION.—Henry Francis Lowe.

MASTER OF ARTS.—Bertha Frances Wolfe.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY.—George Nelson Coffey, Hayner Haskell Gordon, Grace Helen Kent, Charles Neil McBryde, Edwin Wiley.

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE.—Arne O. Arneson, Ewald George Baum, Charles LeRoy Brock, Philip Castleman, Oliver Clemence Cox, Adriano Talbos Cruz, Arthur Alexander Eisenberg, George Irving Eppard, Charles Henry Hayton, Felix Arnold Irmen, Henry William Jaeger, Albert John Molzahn, Harry Waterhouse Oliver, Wendell Arthur Heath Paige, Arthur C. Smith, Carl George Zimmerman.

DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY.—Lloyd Yohe Beers, John McGirk McCausland, David Levin, Domiciano J. Sandoval, Eugene Roger Stone, Homer Ernest Wood.

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY.—Loring W. Beeson, Willard Day Boyer, Homer Kirk Butler, Ralph White Feller, Charles Benjamin Gass, Theodorice Leith Gill, Charles W. Henderson, William Sidney Jones, Gail Eldridge Nelson, Carl F. Snyder, Charles Whitebread.

DOCTOR OF VETERINARY MEDICINE.—George W. Brett, William Edwin Cotton, William Edward Dillard, John Parker Divine, Robert Joseph Dunlavey, John Louis Franz, William H. Fry, Charles Roy Graham, Harry Webster Graybill, Chauncey M. Grubb, Tunis Hicks, Frank Almon Hugins, Joseph Nourse Hornbaker, Charles William Himpfrey, James Kernick, George Henry Koon, Albert Kushner, William Buck Lowry, Henry J. McCarthy, Arthur Howard McCray, Ezra William Miller, Charles Somerville Moore, William H. O'Hara, Edward Henry Riley, Howard James Shore.

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was continued in good standing. It is absolutely essential if the University desires to retain the obvious advantages arising from affiliation with one of the strongest honorary fraternities in the United States, that debating continue and by that I mean debates with other colleges. Our long fight for a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa should warn us that what we have should be zealously protected. To have a chapter in an honorary fraternity in which are represented colleges such as Yale, Harvard, Dartmouth, Pennsylvania, Chicago, Wisconsin, Illinois, and others no less prominent, is in itself an honor too precious carelessly to be cast aside.

Credits for debating work and activity in the editorial interests of the college are being given by some of the best universities. Michigan is now considering student credit for work on the college daily. Many universities allow points for debating. We would in no sense lose dignity or standing if we introduced such a system.

SCHEDULE OF SUGGESTED CREDITS.

To illustrate exactly what I mean, I would suggest a table such as this: one full year credit for the editors of THE NEWS and the Cherry Tree, and possibly a like credit for the business managers; one-half credit for the members of the staff, limiting staff membership to four or six; one credit for membership on an intercollegiate debating team; one-half credit for every student attending three-fourths of the meetings of a debating society and participating in four intra-

society debates, etc. Above all I would limit the total amount of such credits which any student could secure during his entire course to two or three. At most then, the college would lose the twenty or thirty dollars represented by the two or three credits given a student; and on the other hand would, I am confident, insure the permanence of debating and editorial work in the University.

Then again, the University can logically say that it will charge every student a fee of \$2.50 for which such student would receive THE NEWS, the Annual, and be entitled to membership in a debating society, for it would be offering to every student an opportunity to obtain two or three credits at no cost to the student; an opportunity, too, which would not be a chimera, but would be dependent upon the student's energy.

Very truly yours,

DAVID A. BAER.

Class Presidents Act.

At a recent meeting of the Association of Class Presidents reports were received from the various classes in all departments of the University, regarding the action taken by the classes on the resolution for the assessment of a five dollar student activity fee in support of athletics and student publications. This resolution has now been under serious consideration by the entire student body for the past three weeks. It has apparently met with general approval. It is estimated that ninety per cent of the students in all departments are in favor of the taxed fee scheme. Strangely enough the professional

departments with the single exception of the Law School have put themselves on record as in favor of the assessment of a fee for the support of student activities. The Medical School, Dental School, School of Pharmacy, and the College of Veterinary Medicine all voted for the assessment of such a fee. The undergraduate departments, as was expected, expressed no dissent from the scheme. In the Law School alone was any opposition to the scheme manifested. The Seniors declared themselves in favor of the fee, but for obvious reasons the vote of the Senior Law Class, as well as the vote of all other Senior classes, was not considered in the discussion before the Association. Unfortunately the question was never presented to the Junior Law Class, so that it is impossible to say what the opinion of the class is regarding the fee. The Freshman Evening Class voted in favor of the scheme by a narrow majority. No report was received from the Freshman Day Class.

A report of the findings of the Association of Class Presidents was submitted to the Board of Trustees for action. It is hoped that the importance of this measure will not escape the notice of the Board, and that some definite action either in favor or against the fee scheme will be taken at the earliest possible date.

The second most important business transacted by the Association, was the election of the editor and business manager of the Cherry Tree for next year. After a rather spirited contest Malcolm G. Slarrow, of the present Sophomore Engineering Class, was elected editor and John G. Lerch, of the Junior Law Class, business manager. Mr. Slarrow has had a wide experience in student journalism which eminently qualifies him for his new position. Mr. Lerch has been the assistant business manager of the Cherry Tree for the past two years. Under the leadership of these two men there is every assurance that next year's Cherry Tree will be fully up to the standard of the excellent Cherry Trees of this and former years.

Chemical Society.

A REVIEW OF THE YEAR.

The year now closing has been an epoch making one for the G. W. U. Chemistry students in that it has seen the organization of a form of student activity of especial interest to the Chemists—The Chemical Society. Started as an experiment, it has proved a successful one, as evidenced in the interest shown by its members and the successful execution of its projects.

The meetings of the Society have always been well attended. Much enthusiasm has been shown in the presentation and discussion of professional papers and abstracts of current chemical literature. It might be well to mention in this connection that the meetings have been not only interesting and instructive from a scientific but also from a rhetorical and oratorical point of view. To-wit: debates on

"Shall the ladies smoke at the banquet," "How, when and why shall we draw upon the treasury," "Who went on the trips and why," etc.

Early in the year the Society was recognized by the President of the University, Admiral Stockton, as a student organization. At about the same time the Society was addressed by its Honorary President, Dean Munroe.

In February Dr. Harvey W. Wiley gave a very interesting and encouraging address at which a large number of students and friends of the University were present, among them being a number of chemists who have attained distinction in their profession.

The banquet at the New Ebbitt, which was attended by the members of the Society and their friends, the latter including the Chemical Faculty, was a decided success.

The trips to manufacturing establishments were well attended especially the first one when considerable enthusiasm was evidenced by the inspection party.

The Society keeps on file notices of forthcoming civil service chemistry examinations and the Chemists' Club of New York has kindly permitted members of the Society the gratuitous use of its employment bureau.

At the beginning of the year, Professor Munroe was elected Honorary President, and the success of the Society is due in great measure to his helpful inspiration and active assistance. Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, Professor of Agricultural Chemistry, and Dr. Frank W. Clarke, Professor of Mineral Chemistry, were later in the year elected honorary members.

The Society plans to make an annual feature of the banquet, as well as to have each year a big meeting which shall be addressed by some well known scientist and which shall be the occasion for a reunion of chemistry students and professors, and those who were formerly connected with the University.

It has also been suggested that the Constitution be amended so as to permit of the election of associate and advisory members and also that election of officers may be held at the last meeting of the year instead of at the first. This procedure is in effect at Lehigh and the newly elected officers are thus enabled to prepare plans for the forthcoming year.

It is only fitting to close this brief resumé with the words of that peerless prince of polished and polite entertainers, whose name it will not be necessary to give—

"As the summer days draw near, the mercury climbs to dizzy heights, and chemical compounds are subjected to great expansive strain, until the chemical affinity is broken and the compound is resolved into its component atoms, which fly apart in all directions. So it is with the Chemical Society. After a successful year, which has fully established the stability and reactivity of the Chemical Society of the G. W. U., the rising temperature is gradually causing its component atoms to scatter in all directions, to return in the fall, however, and, with renewed chemical affinity and energy, coalesce into that harmonious, homogeneous, energetic molecule—The Chemical Society of the G. W. U."

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THE FINALE.

With this number of THE NEWS, this year's staff completes its work, leaving to others the task of guiding the University paper through coming years. The complete staff for next year has not yet been announced. Only the editor and business manager have been appointed, as stated elsewhere in this issue. They are Arthur H. Redfield and Edwin P. Parker, editor and business manager respectively. Both are experienced men. Under their management, the University paper will be continued along the same general lines heretofore followed out. We bespeak for them the hearty cooperation of the student body, in their efforts to perpetuate the one form of student interest, which, more than any other, serves as a unifying bond of the entire University.

A word as to what has been done, and what has not been done by the retiring staff. Errors have undoubtedly been made, numerous and sometimes even apparent ones. But we make bold to say that whatever the mistakes may have been, the general scheme adopted in managing the paper, has at least some slight claim to independent originality. The task of dictating the policy of a University paper is not an easy one, nor is it without its serious responsibilities. But an honest effort has been made to meet all issues fairly and squarely, and to give prominence to all activities and events in proportion to their University importance.

It is customary for an editor to preface his work with an explanatory statement of why he wrote his book—as often an excuse as a justification—and an acknowledgement of his indebtedness to his co-workers. Though prefaces are seldom read, they are still regularly written. An explanatory statement would be out of place here. But in deference to the time honored custom of writing prefaces, we desire to acknowledge our indebtedness to the members of the staff, and to those members of the Faculty, who have taken an active interest in the

welfare of this year's NEWS. It is only fair also, that some acknowledgement be made of the keen interest which Mr. Alpheus H. Snow, formerly of the Board of Trustees, took in THE NEWS during the time he was a member of the Board. His resignation was a distinct loss to THE NEWS.

IN EXPLANATION OF A PREVIOUS ERROR.

Some time ago, in an editorial discussing the propriety of granting credit to those students who participate in student activities, the statement was made that Columbia College had adopted such a scheme for debating work and work in connection with its student publications. This we learn from a recent number of the *Columbia Spectator* is not the case. The Forum, a body composed of representatives of the student body and the Faculty, voted to recommend to the Faculty of the College, the giving of such credit. But when the matter came before the Faculty the scheme was voted down. Our error was due to a misapprehension of the functions of the Forum. We were of opinion that its decision in the matter was final. Apparently, however, it is merely an advisory body forming a link between the students on the one hand, and the Faculty on the other. All of its recommendations to become effective must be approved by the Faculty. This, of course, weakens the force of any argument citing Columbia College as a case in point. But the editorial above referred to, while not strictly accurate in its statement regarding the adoption of the credit scheme by that College, is accurate in its statement that the deciding vote of the Forum was cast by President Butler and in its quotation of the arguments of Professor Beard in support of the recommendations made by the Forum. As regards these matters the editorial remains intact, weakened by no subsequent events.

We consider this explanation necessary in view of the fact that the matter there discussed is of such a serious consequence, that all statements made should be strictly verified, lest a supposed example be followed which has no existence in fact.

Honor Awards in Prize Debate.

The final debate of the intersociety series, the annual Prize Debate between the honor men of the previous intersociety contests, was held in the Law School auditorium on Monday evening, June 5th. The contestants were: Messrs. Norris L. Bowen, Walter E. Kelly, and Louis B. LeDuc, affirmative, and Messrs. William R. Fitch, Peter R. Feldman, and J. Paul Oren, negative. The question discussed was: "Resolved, That labor unions in the United States are, in the main, beneficial to society." The judges were: Justice W. P. Stafford, Representative I. S. Pepper, of Iowa, a graduate of our Law School in the class of 1905, and Mr. G. W. W. Hanger. After a long consultation the judges announced that first honors had been won by Peter R. Feldman and awarded honorable mention to Norris L. Bowen.

BOOKS NEW AND OLD

THE CHOICE OF BOOKS.

WE had been discussing plans for summer reading and that amiable bore, Newbury, with his customary fondness for maintaining a paradox had been contending that the usual ideas about the subject were all wrong.

"People think they want something light and frothy to read during the hot weather. Quite the contrary. They need harder and heavier books then. Don't read novels in hot weather—at least, nothing lighter than Henry James or George Meredith. Read something that you have to tussle with—German philosophy for instance. That absorbs your attention and keeps you from realizing how high the thermometer is getting."

I suggested that it might be an agreeable novelty for one summer at least not to read anything heavier than the baseball scores.

"I believe you, my boy," said Newbury, emphatically, twisting his feet around the legs of his chair and leaning back chair and all against the desk at such a dangerous angle that I implored him to be careful. He paid no attention, however, but continued:

"The trouble is that we are absolutely obliged to read. Reading has ceased to be an accomplishment and has become a faculty. We can't think without reading. It all grows out of the spread of cheap books and that results of course from the invention of printing. There is no doubt that printing is an invention of the devil. Wasn't it attributed to a fellow by the name of Faust, who had dealings with the evil one?"

I set Newbury right on the identity of the two Fausts. He said, however, that the point was not material, and went on:

"It is not a question of *not* reading. It is only a question of *what* to read. Some method of selection is necessary or else we shall waste quantities of time over involuntary reading. Various methods are possible. There is the desert island hypothesis. You are to imagine that you have been doomed to spend the rest of your days on a desert island. What books will you

select to bear you company? Begin by supposing you can have only one, after selecting that, suppose yourself given a second choice and so on up to any assumed number."

"I vote for the Encyclopedia Britannica as first choice," said I.

"That's not the rules of the game," answered Newbury severely. "Your choice must be one book, not a whole library. You might as well choose Dr. Eliot's five-foot book-shelf."

"Why not?" I replied; "or Sir John Lubbock's 'one hundred best books.' That strikes me as a short way out of the difficulty."

"There are two objections to these ready made libraries," rejoined my companion. "The first is that they contain no new books, and the second that to accept them is an admission of laziness and intellectual servility. Who is Dr. Eliot that he should prescribe my mental diet? I know the sort of dreadfully correct thing he would give me. He chose the quotations which adorn the walls of the Congressional Library. I want a chance to read something which is *not* good for me occasionally."

"There is also the method of elimination. Do not read a book until it is ten years old. Do not read the newspapers. Above all, do not read any book merely because you are asked by a friend to read it. But these rules do not take us far. If we cut out the newspapers we still have the magazines."

"You don't seem to help us much in our plans for summer reading," said I.

"Try a combination of Emerson's Essay on Books and The Bookman's list of the year's best sellers," said Newbury. LUPUS.

Commencement Addresses.

There were three addresses delivered at the Commencement exercises this year, two student addresses and one principal address. The student addresses were delivered by Roy Linney Deal, of the College, and Paul Edward Bradley, of the Law School. Mr. Deal spoke on "Government Regulation and Why." The subject of Mr. Bradley's oration was, "American Ideals in Education." The principal address was made by Hon. Elmer Ellsworth Brown

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ALUMNI NOTES.

Ewin L. Davis, LL. B., '99, was recently elected Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Tennessee, composed of nine counties, for a term of eight years. He is now the youngest judge in the state of Tennessee. In the year of his graduation from the Law School he participated in the commencement debate, and also won first prize for the best legal essay in a competition that was open to the entire school. As historian of his class he edited the first year book ever published by the Law School. After graduating he located in Tullahoma, Tennessee, and engaged in the practice of law there. In 1892 he was the Democratic nominee for Attorney General of his District, but failed of election at the polls. Two years later he was made Presidential Elector of the Fifth Congressional District of his home state. Thereafter he was engaged in private practice until his election to his present office.

Thaddeus Cahill, LL. B., '92; LL. M., '93; D. C. L., '00, is an inventor of wide reputation. Though he was admitted to the bar in 1892, he has never practiced law, but has devoted his entire time in developing his inventions. The following are some of his inventions: the electrical typewriter; a process of producing music electrically, known as telharmony, by dynamos and without any reed, pipe, or string, by means of alternators transmitting musical electrical vibrations from a central station to receiving telephones on the premises of subscribers, very much after the fashion described in Edward Bellamy's remarkable book, "Looking Backward 2,000 Years." For a number of years Mr. Cahill had his private laboratory here in Washington, but in 1892 he removed it to Holyoke, Mass. Address: Water Power Building, Holyoke, Mass.

Charles L. Dana, M. D., '77, is Professor of Nervous Diseases in the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, and also in Cornell Medical College. He has made a specialty of mental and nervous diseases and disorders, in which field he has published several notable monographs as well as a text-book of recognized standing. He is the editor of the Journal of Comparative Medicine, an assistant editor of the Medical Record, a member of the staff of the Journal of Nervous and Mental Diseases. In addition he is a member of the leading medical, psychological, and sociological societies of the country. Address: 53 W. 53d street, New York City.

Edmund Hudson, LL. B., '77, is the editorial writer on the staff of the *Hartford Times*. He has spent his life in newspaper work and has occupied in succession a large number of important newspaper posts on the *Boston Journal*, *New York World*, and *Boston Herald*. Mr. Hudson has also found time to invent improvements in hydro-carbon motors and automobiles, and to write a book on "An American

Woman." Address: The *Times*, Hartford, Conn.

Word has been received of the appointment of Paul H. Cromelin, LL. B., '91, to the position of Managing Director of the Thomas A. Edison Co., Inc., for Great Britain and Ireland. Mr. Cromelin is a graduate of the Washington High School. He graduated third in his class in the Law School. In 1893 he was admitted to the local bar. Ten years later he was made vice-president of the Columbia Phonograph Company. This is the position he has occupied down to the time of his recent appointment.

Flemming Carrow, A. B., '70; M. D., '74, is a leading physician of the city of Detroit, Michigan. For the eleven years following his graduation from our Medical School he was a surgeon in the military service of the Chinese government. He was Professor of Ophthalmology in the University of Michigan from 1887 to 1904. Since the last named date he has been engaged in active practice in Detroit. Address, 503 Washington Arcade, Detroit, Mich.

Charles A. Crampton, M. D., '83, has been chief chemist in the Internal Revenue Bureau since 1893. He is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Chemical Society, and the Washington Chemical Society, of which last named organization he was president from 1891-2. He has contributed extensively to the literature of agriculture and food chemistry in chemical journals and government publications. Address: U. S. Internal Revenue, Treasury Department, Washington.

Charles A. Hollick, Ph. D., '97, is curator of the department of fossil botany, New York Botanical Garden. He was a member of the board of education of the city of New York from 1907-10. He has written numerous works on local geology and botany, besides monographs on special botanical and geological topics. Address: New York Botanical Garden, New York City.

Needham Debating Society.

The question under discussion at the meeting of the Needham Society on May 5 was the advisability of applying the recall to the judiciary of the several States.

Messrs. Dolliver and McMahon set forth the need of placing in the hands of the people this check upon the judiciary, stating that such a practice would be in line with the present move for control by the people. The negative, as upheld by Messrs. Mackenzie and Kelly, pointed out the dangers and the attending abuses of such a plan, and was awarded the decision by the judges. First honors were given to Mr. Kelly, and second to Mr. McMahon.

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SPEAKS ON NEW HUMANISM

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of the value of human intercourse. The fall of our common humanism is in regarding literature, instead of social contact, as its essence. Our notion is taken too narrowly. The product is mistaken for the process. Humanism in our education is merely literary tradition. That is looking backward.

"The revival of learning incident to the Renaissance, founded as it was, not on the real spirit of Greek communal life, but on the dogmatic teachings of its philosophers, submerged the Greek culture. Rome had remained through the Middle Ages as a national ideal. The Roman genius was for the administration of practical affairs. Greek humanism, coming under the influence of the Roman genius, became dogmatic, and was later dominated and subordinated to religious dogma as religion became the province of the ecclesiastics.

"Through this channel came the modern ideals of humanism, as culture for an exclusive class, available only through acquaintance and study of the classics. The higher education of modern peoples excluded the practical arts, and was exclusively intellectual: it was regarded as a polish,—shall I say a varnish?—to which only a privileged class might aspire. When recently a college president said that the purpose of a college was to train the youth for social service, a chorus of protest arose. Not service but culture was the end of a college, it was claimed. Culture when so defined, becomes exclusive.

"To my mind, there is something humorous in the idea that humanism dwells merely in the past. And it is also unfortunate that of the two classical languages, Latin should be the one to be retained. Its literature is but a

washed-out copy of the Greek, in which the broader spirit of humanism may be found.

"Of course, Greek humanism had its defects. In the first place, the Greeks maintained themselves as an isolated people, and to them the rest of the world was barbarian. They had no sense of the unity of mankind, while moderns recognize the humanity of all peoples. Their philosophy lacked a sense of constant progress. Plato held that all change is deterioration, while other philosophers maintained that there could be nothing new, as all things had already happened somewhere or other at some time. But the gravest fault yet lay in the exclusion of the economic and industrial classes from social intercourse. Aristotle regarded the artisan class as worse off than slaves because the latter had opportunity for social contact with their more cultured masters.

"Both the cultural and the utilitarian are embodied in the newer ideals of humanism. I believe that conceptions for a new humanism are now forming in the minds of educators, that manual activities are never servile or degrading; that all activities are redeemed when they are penetrated by the sense of capacity for social service and promotion of social intercourse, a humanism that will regard whatever tends to human progress as worth while."

Senior College Banquet.

The Senior Class of the College of Arts and Sciences held its banquet Monday night, in West Hall. More than twenty members of the class, and their friends, were present. Harold K. Craig, the toastmaster, introduced Miss Helen

Summy, who spoke on "Our Guests," with special reference to President Stockton and Dean Wilbur. Admiral Stockton spoke on "The University." After a solo by Miss Walker, Dean Wilbur spoke. The Senior Quartet sang, followed by addresses by Emery L. Lasier and Harold Keats. Miss Beale delivered the prophecy and Messrs. Lasier and Carty, the history. After the valedictory by R. L. Deal, the banquet closed by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne." A dance followed.

Letters of a College Professor to His Niece.

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MY DEAR GEORGIANA:

All of the world that I have half unconsciously built about me for all of this long winter has come tumbling about my ears, but though dazed, I can not be sorry. After trying so hard to make you leave Sidney alone, to find him mad about Alice Macon! And you caring not one whit for his infatuation because, forsooth, you had quite decided to marry Guy Stafford! Truly, love is blind, though I had not heard before that that of an old man affected him so. But how was I to guess that Sidney's interest in you was for his cousin's sake, or that you had met this same cousin when you were in Washington? You were a secretive pair of babies—and I, a romantic old man.

Sidney sat long before my fire last night, smoking the pipe of peace and unburdening himself of many thoughts. Now that Guy Stafford has gone—you know his destination best—his cousin has turned back to me, and we have had many long talks, on subjects quite apart from "Ethical Degeneration." I have learned much from the lad this winter, and I almost blush at the selfish abstraction into which I had allowed myself to sink, and at the way in which I have neglected humanity at my doorstep, while pursuing it through the ages. I am even in the way of doubting my theory of ethical degeneration itself, and may yet be found lecturing on "The Ethical Evolution of Man!"

In a week or so I shall be with you, but not Sidney. I shall have to leave him here to bask, like a salamander, in the heat of the sun and Alice Macon's smiles. I don't presume that he knows the difference, anyway. It is a different homecoming from that at Christmas time, but one to be full as happy, for I have seen enough of Sidney Marshall's son to know that he is all that I could ask for you. The seat of the spectator is a serene and fascinating one, and henceforth I shall occupy it.

Your affectionate uncle,
GEORGE RANKIN.
Miss Myrle Cameron, College.

It is all over now but the shouting, and believe us there will be some shouting.

Law School Faculty Changes.

The recent announcement of Dean Lorenzen of the Law School of his resignation from the Faculty has caused genuine regret throughout the entire Law School student body. The Dean has been a member of the Law School Faculty for the past seven years, and has been Dean of the Faculty since the resignation of former Dean Vance, last spring. Dean Lorenzen has won the admiration and respect of the entire student body through his scholarly attainments both as a teacher and as a writer. His resignation means a heavy loss to the Law School. The Dean goes to accept a position in the University of Wisconsin. He takes with him the wishes of every member of the Law School for his success in his new field of activity. It was a matter of general regret that the announcement of the Dean's resignation came at such a late date as to make it impossible to arrange for a farewell banquet. The students of the Law School have, however, planned to present him with a suitable token of their respect at the commencement exercises.

In announcing his resignation from the Faculty, Dean Lorenzen made it very clear that the reasons for giving up his present position were wholly because his personal welfare demanded that he should have more time for independent research work than it would be possible for him to have as dean of our Law School. He declared that he thoroughly approved the present policy followed in the Law School, and had not been actuated in resigning by reason of any disagreement as to the policy of the Law School. He assured the students that the Law School would continue along the same general lines that had been followed out in the past.

The Board of Trustees has announced the appointment of Dean Charles Noble Gregory, of the Iowa State Law School, to succeed Dean Lorenzen as dean here. Dean Gregory has had extensive experience as a teacher, writer, and administrative head. For a number of years he was a member of the University of Wisconsin Law School Faculty. This position he resigned to become Dean of the Iowa Law School, where he has been engaged as teacher and dean for the past ten years. Dean Gregory is a former president of the American Law School Association. He is now Chairman of the Committee on International Law of the American Bar Association. The qualifications of Dean Gregory as a teacher and an administrative head leave nothing to be wished for. Under his headship the Law School will continue along its present road of progress.

The vacancy caused by the resignation of Prof. H. A. Mumma has been filled by the appointment of Mr. H. Craig Jones, a graduate of Harvard Law School, and at present a member of a prominent Chicago law firm, to the Faculty. It is understood that there will also be another appointment to the Faculty, but the appointee's name has not been announced. This will increase the number of full-day teachers in the Law School to four.

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PYRAMID INITIATES THREE NEW MEMBERS

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adopting the five dollar fee plan. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that some such scheme is necessary, and, accordingly, later in the evening the members put themselves on record as in favor of some scheme whereby the continuation of student activities can be made possible. This was drawn up in the form of a resolution to be submitted to the Board of Trustees, with a request that some action be taken in the matter.

FUTURE PLANS OF THE PYRAMID.

A scheme was also formulated looking forward to the official recognition of the Pyramid as the University Honor Society. This step, however, will be taken only in case student activities are not resumed within the coming year. Inasmuch as the membership of the Pyramid is drawn from the number of those who have distinguished themselves in student affairs, the continuance of the society is directly dependent upon the continuance of those activities. If student activities are discontinued, the Pyramid must necessarily die out as an active organization, as soon as its present members graduate. By securing the recognition of the Pyramid as the official honor society of the University, the permanency of the society will be assured, and in case student activities are revived, the frame-work of the old society will be left to build upon. It was decided to postpone any action of this sort until some definite statement is made by the Board of Trustees regarding the continuance or discontinuance of student activities. It is hoped that the society may be able to continue as an active factor in student affairs.

OFFICERS FOR THE NEW TERM.

Various other plans and schemes were discussed at the meeting, but they are still in the nebulous state. After the discussion of student affairs, the officers for the next term were elected. The election resulted as follows: E. O. Schreiber, Jr., president; Carl H. Butman, vice-president; D. A. Baer, secretary and treasurer; Ernest F. Wenderoth, historian; John St. C. Brookes, Jr., and J. Ralph Fehr, in addition to the president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer, members of the executive committee.

The News Management, 1911-1912.

The Board of Managers of THE NEWS held its final meeting of the year last Saturday, June 3d. The most important business before the Board was the election of the editor and business manager of THE NEWS for the coming year. Upon the recommendation of the present editor and business manager, Arthur H. Redfield, of the Sophomore College Class, was elected editor and Edwin P. Parker, of the Sophomore Engineering Class, was made business manager. Both of these men have had considerable experience in student publication affairs. Un-

der their leadership THE NEWS of next year will be well taken care of.

The Board also voted to recommend to the Faculty that the name of the student paper be changed to THE UNIVERSITY HATCHET, the name under which it was formerly published. It was pointed out that the new name had not met with general approval among the students, that it increased the difficulty of getting local business men to advertise in the paper, that it had none of the distinctiveness which characterized the old name, and finally that if no objection was taken to the name *Cherry Tree* for the student annual, no valid objection could be made to the name HATCHET for the student paper.

It is understood that the new editor and business manager are already making plans for next year.

Debating Credits.

At last we have reached the goal. After recommending and petitioning that credit be given for debating work, the realization of our desires, in an analogous form, appears to be in sight. Dean Willis, of the College of the Political Sciences, in an interview with one of his students who is interested in debating, expressed himself as willing to add to the curriculum of his department a course in public speaking giving regular credit on degrees for work done in the course.

Those of the student body who are so fortunate as to have courses under Dean Willis know him as an excellent instructor and an authority on all of the economic subjects he teaches, but comparatively few know him as an expert debater, or know that while he was at Washington and Lee University he was the life and soul of debating interests there. The course he proposes to institute here will be along the lines followed at Washington and Lee.

The class will be limited in number and will meet about once a week for two hours, when a debate will take place between four men previously selected. The instructor will then criticize the work of each participant and will endeavor to inculcate the general principles of debating, brief-making, etc. Each member of the class will be required to debate on an average of about once a month, although every one will be recognized under the "three-minute-rule" at each meeting.

Dr. Willis intends to take up with the President and the other Deans the matter of recognizing intercollegiate debates for some commensurate credit in this course, and future developments of the movement will be announced in these columns. The proposed course will be installed in the Department of the Political Sciences beginning with the first semester of the next year, and will probably find its place in the new catalogue now being prepared.

There is little doubt that the course will be the most popular in the entire curriculum of the University, and every debater and well-wisher of debating owes sincere gratitude to Dr. Willis for his offer of practical aid in supplying a long felt want.

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Queries and Answers.

DEAR MR. EDITOR:

How should one who is anxious to join a fraternity and who has not been asked, conduct himself?—A. N. Xious

Single out the fraternity you would like to join. Whenever you see one of its members, take off your hat, bow, present him with a cigar, ask him if he will have some refreshments, liquid or otherwise, and in a gentle and delicate fashion discover if he is in need of money, and, if such is the case, offer to lend him some in such a manner as not to offend. Never offer less than ten dollars. Send presents to the house frequently. Never permit one of the fraternity men to pay for anything. You are being amply rewarded by being allowed in their company. If after this, you fail to be asked, be not angry. Pick out another fraternity and repeat the treatment until you find a congenial crowd.

DEAR MR. EDITOR:

What is the best method in which to get around the honor system. I do not believe in it and therefore do not feel bound thereby—Independent.

The best course for you to pursue is to get out of the University. Self-respecting men and not crooks are desired in this institution.

The above is a list of questions which have been placed in the NEWS' Box. In answering we have endeavored to give our best advice.

There was a young lady from Siam,
Said unto her lover, per diem,
"If you kiss me, of course
You will have to use force;"
But God knows you are stronger
than I am.

Teachers College Notes.

On Friday, June 2d, Professor W. C. Ruediger addressed the teachers and students of the Washington Normal School, No. 2, on "Education and Avocation."

Miss Katharine H. Bevard, of the Senior Class, will be one of the instructors during the summer term in the School of Education of the University of Indiana. Miss Bevard has attended this school as a student for several summers. This summer she returns to Bloomington as one of the Faculty. She will give a course on the methods of teaching grammar.

We are pleased to see the announcement of the Kramer-Draper tours to Europe. These two well known schoolmen have taken hundreds of teachers abroad during the summer vacations. You can not put yourself in better hands, if you are considering a well conducted tour of Europe.

Purloined Philosophy.

Optimism is the pastime of the rich, the philosophy of the thinker, and the physician of the poor.

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"Stick to the truth; now and then someone will believe you. Be honest; some day you may meet a man carrying a lantern."

To love a good woman is a liberal education. To love a lady of fashion is a commercial education.

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Since yesterday holds regrets and tomorrow fears, it's best to forget them and live one day at a time.

It's harder to be a good listener than a good talker; but think how much more popular you will become.

Those who sing their own praises are never encored.

Life is short, only four letters in it. Three-quarters of it is a "lie," and half of it an "if."

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